

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A sunshade guide mechanism, comprising:
at least one guide rail having a brake face; and
a sliding carriage shiftable in the at least one guide rail, the sliding carriage having
a body that shifts in the at least one guide rail,
a brake member connected to the body and that cooperates with the brake face to
lock the sliding carriage in the at least one guide rail,
at least one spring having a biasing force that acts upon the sliding carriage to
press the brake member against the brake face, and
at least one tilt edge spaced away from the brake member, wherein the sliding
carriage ~~can be swiveled~~ swivels about the at least one tilt edge against the biasing force
of the at least one spring to release the brake member from the brake face.
2. (Original) The guide mechanism as claimed in claim 1, wherein the sliding
carriage is symmetrical in relation to a transverse plane extending through the brake member.
3. (Currently Amended) The guide mechanism as claimed in claim 2, further
comprising a spring arm on the sliding carriage extending across both ~~on either sides~~ of the
transverse plane.

4. (Currently Amended) The guide mechanism as claimed in claim 1, wherein the at least one tilt edge and a portion of the spring arm contacting the at least one guide rail are each made of a material having a low coefficient of friction.

5. (Currently Amended) The guide mechanism as claimed in claim 4, wherein the spring arm is a leaf spring having at least one free end, and wherein the guide mechanism further comprises a support cap disposed on ~~said~~ the at least one free end, wherein the support cap has a low coefficient of friction.

6. (Currently Amended) The guide mechanism according to claim 1, wherein ~~said~~ the at least one tilt edge comprises a first tilt edge at a first end of the sliding carriage and a second tilt edge at a second end of the sliding carriage.

7. (Currently Amended) The guide mechanism as claimed in claim 1, wherein ~~the~~ an entire body of the sliding carriage is made of a material having a low coefficient of friction.

8. (Original) The guide mechanism as claimed in claim 1, wherein the brake member is made of a material having a high coefficient of friction.

9. (Currently Amended) The guide mechanism as claimed in claim 1, wherein the brake face comprises two side faces of a groove in ~~said the~~ at least one guide rail, wherein the two side faces are disposed obliquely opposite each other.

10. (Original) The guide mechanism as claimed in claim 1, wherein the brake member comprises a pair of braking cushions arranged on opposite sides of the sliding carriage.

11. (Currently Amended) The guide mechanism as claimed in claim 1, wherein ~~said the~~ at least one guide rail comprises two guide rails disposed opposite each other, and wherein the guide mechanism further comprises first and a second sliding carriages, each sliding carriage disposed in one of ~~said the~~ two guide rails.

12. (Currently Amended) The guide mechanism as claimed in claim 11, further comprising a crosspiece connecting the ~~two first and second~~ sliding carriages.

13. (Original) The guide mechanism as claimed in claim 12, further comprising a handle attached to the crosspiece.

14. (Currently Amended) A sunshade guide mechanism, comprising:
two guide rails disposed opposite each other, each of the two guide rails having a brake face;

two sliding carriages, each sliding carriage disposed in one of ~~said~~ the two guide rails,
each sliding carriage having

a body that shifts in ~~the~~ a respective guide rail,

a brake member connected to the body ~~and~~ that cooperates with the brake face to
lock ~~the~~ a respective sliding carriage in the respective guide rail, wherein ~~the~~ each sliding
carriage is symmetrical in relation to a transverse plane extending through the brake
member, wherein the brake member is made of a material having a high coefficient of
friction,

at least one spring having a biasing force that acts upon the respective sliding
carriage to press the brake member against the brake face, and

a first tilt edge at a first end of the sliding carriage and a second tilt edge at a
second end of the sliding carriage, the first and second tilt edges being spaced away from
the brake member,

wherein the sliding carriage ~~can be~~ is swiveled about the first and second tilt edges
against the biasing force of the at least one spring to release the brake member from the
brake face, wherein the first and second tilt edges and a portion of the at least one spring
~~arm that is in contacting with~~ the respective guide rail are each made of a material having
a low coefficient of friction; and

a crosspiece connecting the two sliding carriages.

15. (Currently Amended) The ~~sunshade~~-guide mechanism as claimed in claim 14, further comprising a spring arm on the sliding carriage extending across both ~~on either sides~~ of the transverse plane.

16. (Currently Amended) The ~~sunshade~~-guide mechanism as claimed in claim ~~14~~15, wherein the spring arm is a leaf spring having at least one free end, and wherein the guide mechanism further comprises a support cap disposed on ~~said the~~ at least one free end, wherein the support cap has a low coefficient of friction.

17. (Currently Amended) The guide mechanism as claimed in claim 14, wherein ~~the~~ an entire body of ~~the each~~ sliding carriage is made of a material having a low coefficient of friction.

18. (Currently Amended) The guide mechanism as claimed in claim 14, wherein the brake face comprises two side faces of a groove in each of the two guide rails, wherein the two side faces are disposed obliquely opposite each other.

19. (Currently Amended) The guide mechanism as claimed in claim 14, wherein the brake member comprises a pair of braking cushions arranged on opposite sides of ~~the each~~ sliding carriage.

20. (Original) The guide mechanism as claimed in claim 14, further comprising a handle attached to the crosspiece.

21. (New) The guide mechanism as claimed in claim 1 wherein the at least one guide rail includes a guide groove that receives at least a portion of the body of the sliding carriage and wherein the guide groove includes opposing side surfaces that form the brake face.

22. (New) The guide mechanism as claimed in claim 21 wherein the body includes opposing body side surfaces and wherein the brake member comprises at least one cushion supported by at least one of the opposing body side surfaces, and wherein the at least one brake cushion that engages a respective one of the opposing side surfaces of the guide groove to lock the sliding carriage in the at least one guide rail.

23. (New) The guide mechanism as claimed in claim 14 wherein each guide rail includes a guide groove having opposing side surfaces forming the brake face and wherein the body for each of the two sliding carriage comprises a rectangular body portion having opposing body side surfaces for supporting the brake member, and wherein the brake member engages both opposing side surfaces of the guide groove to lock the sliding carriage in the respective guide rail.